

Table 2**Community college attendance and receipt of an associate's degree among employed college graduates reporting a first bachelor's degree, by field of study and calendar year of degree: 2019**

(Number and percent)

Field of study	Employed college graduates			Recent graduates, earned first bachelor's degree 2008–17			Past graduates, earned first bachelor's degree's 2007 or earlier		
	Total (number)	Attended community college (%)	Earned an associate's degree (%)	Total (number)	Attended community college (%)	Earned an associate's degree (%)	Total (number)	Attended community college (%)	Earned an associate's degree (%)
All fields	44,687,000	49.2	21.0	14,848,000	52.3	24.8	29,840,000	47.6	19.1
S&E fields	16,862,000	45.0	15.1	5,651,000	47.0	16.9	11,211,000	43.9	14.2
Computer and mathematical sciences	2,336,000	46.7	20.7	810,000	44.2	22.7	1,526,000	48.1	19.6
Biological, agricultural and environmental life sciences	3,235,000	46.4	12.3	1,194,000	50.6	14.1	2,041,000	44.0	11.2
Physical and related sciences	993,000	39.6	10.1	303,000	41.1	11.3	689,000	38.9	9.5
Social and related sciences	7,196,000	45.4	16.2	2,407,000	49.1	19.2	4,789,000	43.6	14.6
Engineering	3,103,000	42.7	13.1	937,000	41.1	11.5	2,166,000	43.4	13.8
S&E-related fields	4,656,000	56.3	29.0	1,916,000	61.7	36.0	2,740,000	52.5	24.2
Non-S&E fields	23,170,000	50.8	23.6	7,280,000	53.9	27.9	15,889,000	49.4	21.7

S&E = science and engineering.

Note(s):

Numbers are rounded to the nearest 1,000. Excludes college graduates who earned a first bachelor's degree abroad ($n = 3,879,000$) and those who did not report a first bachelor's degree ($n = 1,958,000$).

Source(s):

National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics, National Survey of College Graduates, 2019.